

**Security Council**

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**Letter dated 31 December 2001 from the Secretary-General
addressed to the President of the Security Council**

I have the honour to refer to the United Nations Peace-building Support Office in Liberia (UNOL) and to inform the Security Council of my intention to appoint Ambassador Haile Menkerios, former Permanent Representative of Eritrea, as my new Representative in Liberia and head of UNOL as from 1 February 2002.

Mr. Menkerios will succeed Mr. Félix Downes-Thomas, who has accomplished his mission in Liberia with distinction and devotion, for which I should like to express to him my sincere gratitude.

I should be grateful if you would bring the present letter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(Signed) Kofi A. **Annan**

